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I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

> **COMMUNICATION APPARATUS INCLUDING DRIVER MEANS FOR APPLYING A SWITCHED SIGNAL TO A COMMUNICATION LINE WITH A CONTROLLED SLEW RATE**

the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto

OR

☐ was filed on: (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date *(MM/DD/YYYY)*	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
PCT/EP03/06116	PCT	06/10/2003	☐	☐ Yes ☒ No	
EP02291606.8	EP	06/28/2002	☐	☐ Yes ☒ No	
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Provisional Application Filing Date:	

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Prior U.S. Application(s):

☒   no such application(s) filed
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☐ A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.

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